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THE BRITISH COLONIST.

Friday Morning, Aug 25, 1871.

Public Apathy.

"There is a tide in the affairs of man which, taken at the flood leads on to fortune." So, also, is there a period in the affairs of a country when its future destiny may be directed for weal or for woe, just as the people in whose hands the government of that country may be placed exert their influence and their power. Perhaps there never was a case to which the Bard's remark would more aptly apply than the position in which this new province now stands. The tide of events has placed us in the possession of a country—the value of which is almost beyond computation. The government of it, with the freest constitution in the world, is placed in our hands with a clean sheet on which to make our records from the present. What, then, might be asked, could be placed within the reach of an ambitious people, more inviting, or appealing more strongly to their patriotism and their desire to be great and well governed? All that the people of British Columbia ever asked for, and more than they ever anticipated, has been given them; and it now only remains for them in their wisdom and prudence to take the gift and turn it to the most profitable account. In accepting it however, the first question is, into whose hands shall the interests of the province be placed in order that the results may be beneficial to the whole? the enquiry, Are the people of this province alive to the great importance of their condition? Are they ready to enter boldly and faithfully into the work of making the institutions of the country such as will secure to it prosperity and greatness? Are the men who possess the knowledge, the intelligence, the integrity and the wealth of the country manifesting that disposition and energy which the present crisis demands of them? 'Tis true we see quite a number of gentlemen putting themselves forth as willing to take the burthen of conducting the affairs of the province, both in the local and Dominion parliament, but are they all the most fit persons to lay the foundation of a new government and a new policy which is to effect our future? A little reflection must convince us that there is too much apathy and indifference on the part of the greater portion of our leading and most prominent men as to who shall be selected to represent us in the Local as well as the Dominion Parliament. We do not want men selected for such positions who have no higher desire or motive than to merely gratify a political ambition, or to make their election a stepping-stone to office and power; but we want men who know well the requirements and interests of the country and who have them at heart. It is indeed painful to witness the seeming indifference on the part of those whose duty it is to enter heartily and energetically into a work so virtually concerns the well-being of the province. It is not thus in other countries where the people enjoy the right of self-government. The work of making Legislatures and forming Governments is not left to a few scheming and designing politicians who have no aims but their own interest, but to men of position, of standing, of intelligence, of brain, of courage—men who have the energy and influence and will to move the hearts of the people and direct them in the course of action. These are the men who, at the present time, should throw aside their apathy and indifference and give this new province of ours, now in its helpless infancy, a fair start in political progress, and not allow its Government to fall into the hands of those who, lacking experience, wisdom, or honesty, may recklessly bring it into complications and disrepute. Too much time has already elapsed since our change of constitution without some more decided action being taken by our reasoning, thinking men. There are grave questions at stake, and none more so than the tariff. As it is the unquestionable and almost universal belief of the people of this city that the Canadian tariff is the most suitable to this province, no man should be supported either for the Local House or the Dominion Commons who will not support the immediate adoption of that tariff. No modification or tinkering of any sort should be allowed. It only means a prolongation of the question and the keeping of the commerce of the country in an unsettled and confused state. Every man who permits the faculty of reason to guide him must become convinced of the necessity of the immediate settlement of the question, or allow the dogmatism of any political demagogue to direct his will or pervert his judgment in a matter so vital to the real and permanent interests of the commercial advancement and prosperity of the entire province. It is a common saying that men of strong imaginations are usually dogmatists, and it also happens that no dogmatist is more obstinate or less open to conviction than a fool. The only difference between the two is this: the former is determined to force his opinions upon others, the latter is equally determined that others shall not force their opinions upon him. We have thrown together these thoughts with the hope that they may serve to awaken the influential and thinking men of this city and province to a sense of their duty in the present crisis. The future good government of the country depends upon the men who are returned to the Local and Dominion Parliaments at the approaching elections. If proper men be returned there will be little or no difficulty in so shaping the destinies of the country that Responsible Government will prove a blessing to all. But if good men decline to come forward the government of the country will soon fall into the hands of knaves, and the new constitution prove an unmigated curse.

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Friday Morning, Aug 26, 1871.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.

Aug 24.—Sir Isobel, Clancy, Burrard Inlet.
" " North Star, Merrit, San Juan.
CLEARED.
Aug 24.—Sir Isobel, Clancy, Burrard Inlet.
" " North Star, Merrit, San Juan.

PASSENGERS.

Per ship North Pacific—Col Denison, wife and son
Mr D F Dennis, C T Woods, Mr MacEachern
and 2 chds, 8 duffels, W Craswell, G Robertson, Brown
and daughter, Molase, Coleman and 28 others

NEWS! NEWS!

The "British Colonist" is the only newspaper published at Victoria that receives the latest Telegraphic Dispatches, as a comparison will prove. Late Telegrams appearing in any other paper are copied without credit 24 hours after they have appeared in the British Colonist. The circulation of the British Colonist being double that of any other Paper Published in British Columbia, it offers the best medium to Advertisers.

Address.

Dean Criddle, with Rev Mr Jenks and Rev Mr Gribble, presented the following address yesterday.

To His Honor J. W. Trutch, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, &c.

May It Please Your Honor:

We, the clergy of the Church of England in this Diocese, beg to tender our sincere congratulations and welcome on your safe return amongst us to assume the government of this province of Her Majesty's Dominions.

We desire to express our heartfelt convictions, and we believe they are those of the community at large, that your tried character and your various and important services in the interests of the colony have entirely merited this distinction, and afford the most hopeful promise under the Divine blessing of the fidelity and success of your future administration.

We earnestly pray that the help and guidance of the Most High may be abundantly vouchsafed to you in all the measures of your government and that through His bountiful favour the people committed to your charge may increase in wealth, peace and godliness.

E. CRIDGE, B.A. Dean of Christ Church
C. T. WOODS, M.A. Archdeacon of Columbia.

W. S. REECE, M.A. Archdeacon of Vancouver.

P. JENKS, Rector of St. John's Victoria.

F. GRIBBLE, Principal of the Collegiate School and Rector of Esquimalt.

J. B. GOOD, Mission, Lytton.

J. REYNARD, Rector of Nanaimo.

R. TOMLINSON, Mission, Nootka.

J. K. WILLETT, Mission, Alberni.

D. HOLMES, Mission, Yale.

REPLY.

REVEREND GENTLEMEN.—I most gratefully acknowledge the kind congratulations which you present to me on my return to British Columbia to undertake the duties of the honorable position to which I have been appointed.

The approval of my past public conduct and the confidence that I shall faithfully administer the office I am now charged with—which you, the ministers of the Church in this Diocese of which I am a member and to whom I am attached by every bond of feeling and conviction, have expressed in your address—are particularly gratifying and encouraging to me; and I earnestly join in your supplication to the Almighty that I may be so directed in the exercise of my official functions as to promote to the utmost the truest interests of this, our adopted country.

A CASE OF PILOTA.—A very important case was tried before Mr Pemberton yesterday in reference to an alleged violation of the pilot regulations of this Province. The case is this: About the 30th of July last the bark Ellen Morris came up from San Francisco to go to Burrard Inlet for a cargo of lumber. One of the pilots spoke her at Royal Roads and Thomas Butler, assuming to be the master *pro tem.*, refused to take the pilot, but engaged the larboard to tow the bark up and acted in the capacity of pilot himself. Thus Pamphlet, on behalf of the pilot association, brought an action against William Knott, the real captain of the Ellen Morris, for the penalty which the law exacts from any captain who may employ any other than an authorised pilot to pilot his ship between certain points, the penalty being—for the first offence double pilotage and for the second, offence \$250. The defence of Capt Knott was that he employed Thomas Butler at San Francisco as stevedore, giving him a free passage to Burrard Inlet; that he put his ship in charge of the mate with instructions not to engage a pilot, but to take steam from Royal Roads. He had offered to pay half pilotage, which offer was refused, the prosecution insisting on double pilotage. The case occupied the Court a large portion of the day, and the Judge in summing up said he was disposed to believe the statement of Capt Knott that Butler was not employed as pilot neither had he any authority to act as captain; and if Butler had been captain at the time he was the proper person to prosecute for the offence. He would therefore dismiss the case, saying that if Capt Knott was willing to pay half pilotage, which was \$20, he would be doing all that law or justice required of him. Mr Bishop for the plaintiffs.

AN EXPERT COMING.—The Portland Oregonian says it is stated on good authority that the champion skater of the United States—Miss Carrie Moore—will make a visit to that city some time during the coming winter and give Portland amateurs a few lessons of her dexterity on the rollers. All the celebrities of the land, from Gov Tom Thumb to Susan B Anthony, have not subbed Portland by failing to visit it and Miss Moore intends to follow in the wake.

The steamer North Pacific arrived from Puget Sound at 3 yesterday afternoon, bringing 40 passengers and a quantity of fruit and live stock. She will sail hence at 12 noon to day.

FRED DREW of Port Gamble is appointed Collector of Customs for Puget Sound District, vice M S Drew, resigned.

CAULIFLOWERS.—At Townsend's market may be seen immense cauliflowers from the Lower Fraser, together with poultry and game of all kinds of Island growth.

The returns of the Census for New York City furnish some curious particulars. They give a grand total of 932,292 as the population of the municipality. Of this number, 510,552 are white of native birth; 418,646 are white of foreign birth, and 13,093 are colored. The proportion of the native Americans born outside of the State of New York is remarkably small—only 35,207 of the city population. Of the 418,646 persons of foreign birth, the largest number is from Ireland, the total from that island being 201,999. Germany is also largely represented, there being 80,494 who come from Germany, besides 31,464 from Prussia. Of English birth there are 24,308, and 7,561 from Scotland. There is not a quarter of the globe but is represented in the city, the Census showing that there are residents who have come from Arabia, China, Japan, India, Persia, the Canaries, Malta, Madera Islands, Atlantic Islands, Sandwich Islands, New Zealand, Australia, Gibraltar, and so on. The largest number of colored people is in the Seventeenth Ward. The largest population of any ward is that of the Nineteenth which is 85,494.

POST SOUND ITEMS.—The Echo says that on the 19th inst the Land Office Agents at Olympia proceeded to sell, as advertised, several hundred thousand feet of logs recently seized and forfeited, as having been cut on Government lands and sold to pay required stumpage. They were bid off by interested parties, part at a mere nominal rate, other lots at \$10. Out of the proceeds the expenses are paid, so the Government realizes considerably less than forty cents average..... C Hovey has been elected representative for Jefferson and Kitsap counties in the Washington Territory Legislature. The Tribune says Governor Salmon has appointed Hon Wm H Wallace, Philip Keach and Judge W P Dougherty (the latter ex-officio) Inspectors of the Insurance now located at Steilacoom.

FROM NANAIMO.—The steamer Sir James Douglas arrived from Nanaimo last evening at 5½ o'clock, with about 10 passengers and a small freight. On her way down she passed the whaling schooner New Dominion, the sloop Hamley and the schooners Eliza bound up. There are no vessels at the mine or quarry. Hon Mr Langevin returned from his tour of inspection, having early yesterday morning viewed all the places of interest in Nanaimo.

ARRIVALS.—The bark Genie of the Ocean, for Moody, Dietz & Nelson's mills, arrived from San Francisco yesterday morning, and was towed up by the steamer Isabel.... The ship Ducor, also from San Francisco, arrived yesterday morning, and will be towed to Moody, Dietz & Nelson's mills by the Isabel to-morrow.

BARNARD'S EXPRESS.—This old established and popular institution has reduced the price of envelopes to 12½ cents each or \$10 per 100. As this express is always through ahead of H M Mail, business men and others will find it greatly to their advantage to transmit their correspondence through its medium.

PROTECTING THE FARMER.—Yesterday afternoon a farmer was met on the outskirts of the city bound home. In his wagon were four barrels of imported flour, which at \$150 duty per barrel represents a tax of \$2 Dollars. This is called "protecting the farmer." But let us for once be frank with each other and style it Robbing the Producer.

BRITISH QUARTERLY.—The July number of this review will be found interesting and instructive. There are good papers on the Roman Empire, Hugh Miller, Dissenters, and an able article on contemporary literature. The Quarterly may be had at T N Hibben & Co's.

A SAN FRANCISCO SPATCH says the opposition to San Diego will be resumed on Sunday next, when the Wm Tabor which has been thoroughly overhauled will re-commence her trials. The rates of fare have been reduced to old figures. It is also stated that the Olympia will go into the same trade in conjunction with the Tabor.

THE NUMBER of employees in the office of the San Francisco Call is 102. The weekly expenses of the paper are \$3,132 or \$162,865 a year. When the Call was started, just 15 years ago, its entire staff, printers, reporters and editor, numbered five.

A BARGAIN.—A fine opportunity is offered at Seattle—the Cosmopolitan Hotel and furniture being for sale. If not disposed of at private sale before the 5th September it will be closed out at auction, as the owner's business calls him to Nevada.

THE CHOLERA.—All the Canadian cities are being cleansed and placed in order for the reception of the Asiatic cholera, which is already in New York. Our ravine offers superior inducements to the scourge.

OLD COLONY POSTAL STAMPS.—Postal stamp of the defunct colony of British Columbia, representing twelve thousand five hundred dollars, have been handed over to Mr Griffin for destruction.

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THE P S MAILED.—Arrangements have been made by the Canadian Postal Department with Capt Star of the steamer North Pacific for the carriage of the Puget Sound mails to and from Victoria twice a week.

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FRED DREW of Port Gamble is appointed Collector of Customs for Puget Sound District, vice M S Drew, resigned.

CAULIFLOWERS.—At Townsend's market may be seen immense cauliflowers from the Lower Fraser, together with poultry and game of all kinds of Island growth.

MR DUCK.—A numerously signed requisition asking Mr Duck to stand for the city has been presented to that gentleman, and has been consented to stand.

OMINECA GOLD.—One thousand dollars in Omineca gold dust have been sent to the San Francisco Mint for assay to ascertain the value per ounce.

THE ship William Wilson, Capt Welburn, was towed to Moody, Dietz & Nelson's mills by the steamer Grappler yesterday.

THE Enterprise, having to call at Nanaimo, will sail at 7 o'clock this morning for New Westminster.

MORSES are described as being numerous and voracious this year in this vicinity.

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Pro Pelle Cutem.

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The Assembly to-day approved of a new additional tax, and decided to proceed immediately with the discussion of the question of the disarmament of the National Guard.

The Government is acting in concert with Italy to prevent the spread of cholera in either country.

PARIS, Aug 23.—The evidence given yesterday before the Court Martial at Versailles was of a most terrible description. Deputy Mervin testified that the Committee on the twenty-fourth of May formed a kind of Court Martial at Lapetot Roquette, where a man was condemned to death in five minutes by some young wretches about 17 or 18 years of age, who gave themselves airs of the greatest importance. Bishop Surat, escaped from prison but was caught by some younger defenders of the barricades and brought back. A woman demanded the honor of killing him and she set on the unfortunate prelate with a pistol striking at his face. The bishop kept her off with his hands, until at last losing patience at being jeered by the crowd, this fury drew a revolver and shot her victim.

VERSAILLES, Aug 23.—At the Court Martial, to-day, the argument for the prosecution was concluded. The counsel for the prisoners commenced to sum up for the accused, and Ferre attempted to read a printed defense in which he declared that he looked to the future rehabilitation of France for vengeance.

Evidence given before the Court Martial establishes the fact that fedals disguised as firemen, fed the flames in Paris with petroleum. Collet, Prison Director under the Commune, deposed that he received Ferre's orders to shoot

